

Behind in rent?

Concerned about eviction?

Are you a landlord experiencing financial hardship as a result of the COVID-19 public health crisis?

These services are available to ALL Whatcom County residents. Curious about eligibility? Call us, we are here to help.

Opportunity Council provides limited financial assistance for rent and utilities. Once appointments are full, they will reopen with more appointments the first business day of the month. To complete the initial eligibility screening, landlords or tenants may apply online at www.opppo.org/basic-needs/housing/help-with-rent or leave a voicemail at 360-746-3826.

The attorneys of **LAW Advocates** provide free consultation to low income Whatcom County tenants, and sometimes represent tenants in disputes with landlords. LAW Advocates can also help renters with rental assistance applications. All services are free. Please call 360-671-6079 ext. 15 and you will be called back for an intake.

Attorneys with **Northwest Justice Project** (NJP) and LAW Advocates will represent low-income tenants who are being sued for eviction at no charge, depending on attorney availability. If you are being sued for eviction and do not have an attorney, call the Eviction Defense Screening Line at 855-657-8387, or apply online at www.nwjustice.org/apply-online. If you qualify, NJP or LAW Advocates will be contacted about your case.

The **Whatcom Dispute Resolution Center** (WDRC) provides impartial case management, conciliation, and mediation for tenants and landlords. These services promote dialogue and resolution of rent payment plans and other necessary agreements to maintain housing and prevent evictions. The WDRC additionally facilitates access to existing rent assistance funds, legal assistance, and human services as needed. The services are free and available in multiple languages. Learn more at www.whatcomdrc.org, or by calling 360-676-0122.



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